

Colletti, John

From: gary glonek [Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)]
Sent: Sunday, April 21, 2013 6:27 AM
To: Colletti, John
Subject: Public Comment, Request for hearing regarding proposed NPDES permit WI-0036587-4

The ongoing violations of the Bad River waste water treatment plant which has resulted in high levels of e-coli being found on the beaches of lake Superior is unacceptable. Please do not renew this permit until it can be shown that this facility is in full compliance with the law and there is a reasonable expectation that they will continue to be in compliance in the future.

Thank you.

Gary Glonek

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John A. Colletti
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Dear Mr. Colletti:

Please tell me how it is possible that the EPA would even consider a re-issuance of a discharge permit for the Bad River Bank of Lake Superior Chippewa when so many violations have been exposed? Until the band can demonstrate they are capable of meeting limits set forth by the Clean Water Act, and the general public has an assurance that these will be met, no permit should be granted.

It has long been known that e.coli bacteria lingering along the lake shore has closed beaches, most commonly Saxon Harbor, and although Bad River has been the suspect for the "swimmers itch" outbreaks, it wasn't confirmed until the group Media Trackers investigated it. The EPA needs to explain how it knowingly let these violations go unchecked, and this was permitted to continue for so long! E.coli 5400% over permitted levels, phosphorus 400% over and TSS(total suspended solids) at unbelievable levels. They have been dumping raw sewage and the government agency responsible for monitoring public health does nothing? I understand that at least 241 violations have occurred since 2004 by these self proclaimed great naturalists, and with no enforcement, maybe the EPA is just as guilty.

Public hearings need to be conducted near the areas impacted by the Bad River Band facility, and the public needs assurance that the problem will be taken care of, and the EPA will do its job of monitoring and reporting.

Lake Superior is truly a treasure. As one who has spent countless hours on it, I can only hope this letter finds itself in the hands of an agency that will do its job and not be influenced by political entrapment.

Sincerely,



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Subject: PERMITT :WI-0036544-4[REISSUANCE]

From: Fred Tidstrom <ftidstrom@gmail.com>

Date: 4/29/2013 4:45 PM

To: colletti.john@epa.gov

DEAR JOHN -

ATTACHED LETTER STATES MY CONCERNS ON RE-ISSUANCE OF THIS PERMIT AS PRESENTLY STRUCTURED.

THE TRIBE MUST HAVE PRESENT & FUTURE WATER STANDARDS ACCOUNTABLE TO ALL UNITED STATES CITIZENS THAT PROTECT THE ENVIRONMENT & ALLOW UTILIZATION OF OUR NATURAL RESOURCES, NOT THEIR OWN UNREALISTIC STANDARDS .

THE TRIBE CAN NOT FORCE THEIR OWN REGULATIONS & WATER STANDARDS ON THE STATE OF WISCONSIN THAT FOLLOW FOLK LURE INSTEAD OF SCIENTIFIC FACTS.

THE INTEGRITY OF THE EPA IS VITAL TO THE PEOPLE OF AMERICA; FORE, IF WE LOSE CONFIDENCE IN OUR GOVERNMENT AMERICA DIES !

PLEASE ADVISE -



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FROM :
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27 April 2013

SUBJECT : The Bad River Band's wastewater treatment plant permit accountability

Dear Sir,

The proposed permit now getting ready to be issued contains pollution discharge limits that were established in accordance with the Bad River Band's SELF-WRITTEN water regulations.

Even under their rules , excessive amounts of E. Coli and other pollutants has been discharged into the water of Lake Superior in violation of the Clean Water Act Standards. This does not square with the ethics of accountability ; fore, the EPA & DNR can not hand off ACCOUNTABILITY to the violators !

Scientific facts should determine present & future clean water standards, not political or tribal ideologies or myths !

Please consider not issuing this permit until EPA standards are met.

Sincerely Yours,

Fred Tidstrom DDS
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